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Honorable Samuel Conti, Judge
United States District Court-Northern District
450 Golden Gate Ave., 17th Floor, Courtroom 1
San Francisco, California 94012-3483

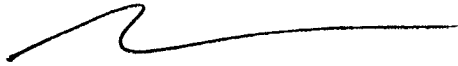
Re: Houtan Petroleum v. ConocoPhillips Company
Case Number: 07-CV-05627-SC

To the Honorable Samuel Conti, Judge presiding,

Pursuant to my conversation with your clerk this morning, we request permission to bring an ELMO Visual Projector to your courtroom for trial on Monday August 18, 2008 at 8:30 a.m..

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my associate, Sam Helmi, at (323)874-8613.

Thank you,



Gennady Lebedev, Esq.